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Re Patent Application of )  
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Filed: 09/10/96 )  
For: SIGN POST STABILIZER )  
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Sir:

FEE CALCULATION: No Additional Fees Due. Upon entry of the below amendment, the total number claims will be 20 or less, and the number of independent claims will be 3 or less.

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action mailed January 7, 1997, please amend the claims of the application as follows (bracketed parts deleted and underlined parts added):

1. (Amended) A Sign Post Stabilizer for stabilizing a sign post having a lower section driven into the ground, said sign post being of a channel type having an elongate planar web portion, a pair of laterally spaced angled portions each being joined to an edge of said web portion at a corner such that each said angled portion forms an obtuse angle with the plane of said web portion, and a